## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the opening of the Southeast Alaska drift gillnet fishery, during the times and in the areas listed below, beginning on Sunday, August 25, 2013.

Section 1-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 30, with the following restriction:

<u>Pearse and Portland Canals</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Akeku Point located at the southern entrance of Edwards Passage.

District 6: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 30, with the following restriction:

Section 6-D: will be closed.

District 8: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Friday, August 30, with the following restrictions:

<u>Kupreanof Island Shoreline</u>: waters of Frederick Sound will be closed west of a line from the District 10 boundary one nautical mile off the Kupreanof Island shoreline to Sukoi Island Light to Hungry Point;

<u>Stikine River</u>: waters off the Stikine River will be closed north and west of a line from Babbler Point to Hour Point along the shore of Wrangell Island to Point Highfield to the southern end of Liesnoi Island to the southern end of Greys Island to the small island near the eastern entrance of Blind Slough to the nearest point of Mitkof Island, and south and east of a line from the prominent point of Mitkof Island nearest Coney Island to the northern end of Coney Island to a point 500 yards north of Jap Creek on the mainland shore.

Section 11-B: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29, with the following restrictions:

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: waters of Port Snettisham and Speel Arm will be closed south and east of a line from Sentinel Point to a point on the eastern shoreline at 58°01.45′ N. latitude, 133°45.35′ W. longitude, and north of the latitude of Bride Point at 58°06.61′ N. latitude;

<u>Limestone Inlet</u>: will be closed.

Section 11-B (Speel Arm): will be open until further notice in those waters north of a line from Sharp Point, to a point on the eastern shoreline at 58°01.45′ N. latitude, 133°45.35′ W. longitude, and south of the latitude of Bride Point at 58°06.61′ N. latitude.

Section 11-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 29.

Section 15-A: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28, in the waters of Lynn Canal with the following restrictions:

<u>Chilkat Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the latitude from the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.04′ N. latitude;

<u>Chilkoot Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05′ N. latitude.

Section 15-C: will be open from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, August 25, through 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 28.

Section 15-C Boat Harbor Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open until further notice in those waters of the Boat Harbor THA west of a department marker at the entrance to Boat Harbor.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5213.

## Southeast Alaska Drift Gillnet Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 34 (August 18 through 24) Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 22, 2013

	NUMBER OF SALMON							
							•	Days
District	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	Open
Section 1-B	0	500	5,000	65,000	7,000	77,500	30	5
District 6	5	500	15,000	100,000	2,000	117,505	60	5
District 8	0	100	6,000	6,000	1,500	13,600	25	5
District 11	10	2,000	4,000	5,800	1,800	13,610	35	4
District 15	2	6,200	2,550	900	15,000	24,652	70	4
Deep Inlet THA	0	0	50	1,200	85,000	86,250	90	2
Total	17	9,300	32,600	178,900	112,300	333,117	310	

	FISH PER BOAT FOR THE PERIOD					
District	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
Section 1-B	0	17	167	2,167	233	2,583
District 6	0	8	250	1,667	33	1,958
District 8	0	4	240	240	60	544
District 11	0	57	114	166	51	389
District 15	0	89	36	13	214	352
Deep Inlet THA	0	0	1	13	944	958

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